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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION PHNOM PENH, INFO CINCPAC HONOLULU HI,
COMUSSAG NKP THAILAND, LSD NEW CUMBERLAND ARMY DEPOT, MUGUST 9,
FROM SECSTATE RPTD YOU FOR INFO:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 157716

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR NEAK LOEUNG

REF: PHNOM PENH 8206

1. CONCUR RELEASE COUNTERPART FUNDS FOR BUILDING REPAIRS
UP TO SIX MILLION RIELS.

2. RE PROVISION OF NECESSARY HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT, WE SEE
SEVERAL ALTERNATIVES. FIRST, YOU COULD ANNOUNCE USE OF UP
TO DOLS. 150,000 FROM EXISTING CIP FUNDS TO FINANCE
NECESSARY HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT, FOR WHICH GKR WOULD NOT HAVE
TO PUT UP COUNTERPART. SECOND, IF UTILIZATION OF EXISTING
CIP FUNDS WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE MEANS OF ACCOMPLISHING
YOUR OBJECTIVE, WE ARE PREPARED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DOLS.
150,000 AS AMENDMENT TO RECENT CIP AGREEMENT, WITH FUNDS
TO BE UTILIZED SPECIFICALLY FOR NECESSARY HOSPITAL EQUIP-
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MENT. THIRD ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE TO UTILIZE HUMANITARIAN/

REFUGEE AID FOR THIS PURPOSE, EITHER AS GRANT TO VOLAG TO PROCURE EQUIPMENT OR THROUGH DIRECT AID/W PROCUREMENT WHICH, TO DATE, WE HAVE NOT YET DONE FOR HUMANITARIAN AID ACTIVITIES.

3. WE SUGGEST, HOWEVER, AS POSSIBLY BETTER AND MORE TIMELY MEANS OF ACCOMPLISHING YOUR OBJECTIVE, PROVISION OF 200-BED PACKAGED HOSPITAL (EQUIPMENT, NOT BUILDING STRUCTURES) OF TYPE ALREADY REQUESTED BY SEVERAL VOLAGS IN CAMBODIA, AS WELL AS IN THOMAS DOOLEY FOUNDATION PROPOSAL. THESE HOSPITALS COME COMPLETELY EQUIPPED WITH PACKAGED BEDS, BLANKETS, SHEETS, LITTERS, LABORATORY EQUIPMENT, STERILIZATION EQUIPMENT, X-RAY EQUIPMENT, ANESTHESIA EQUIPMENT, DENTAL EQUIPMENT, DRUGS, AND A 15 KW GENERATOR. EQUIPMENT SURPLUS TO NEAK LOEUNG HOSPITAL NEEDS COULD BE USED ELSEWHERE IN CAMBODIAN REFUGEE ACTIVITIES. ONE SUCH HOSPITAL PACKAGE IS AVAILABLE ON WEST COAST AND FOLLOWING YOUR INSTRUCTIONS, WE WOULD ATTEMPT GET IT AIR SHIPPED TO YOU BY MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK. (ONLY CAMBODIA PROGRAM COST WOULD BE ESTIMATED DOLS. 50,000 - 75,000 FOR AIR TRANSPORTATION.)

4. AS SOON AS YOU TELL US WHICH WAY YOU WANT US TO PROCEED ON PROVISION OF HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT, WE WILL EXPEDITE NECESSARY ACTION ON THIS END. WHICHEVER ALTERNATIVE YOU PREFER, WE ARE PREPARED TO MAKE AVAILABLE SPECIALIST IN HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION AS REQUESTED (ONE SUCH INDIVIDUAL IS NOW IN LAOS). ROGERS UNQUOTE. ROGERS

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